

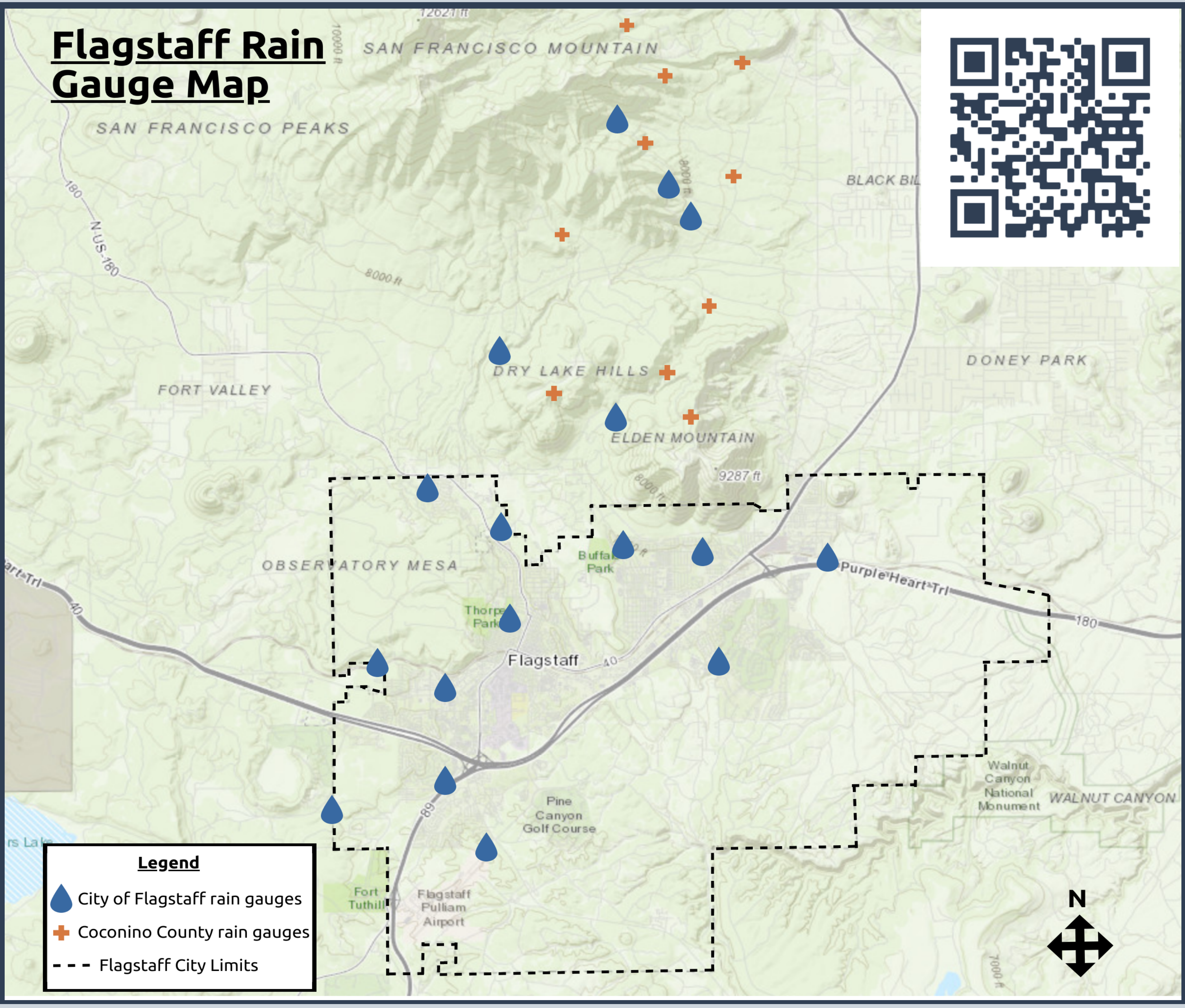
# The City of Flagstaff is Preparing for Monsoon Season



## Are You Ready?

### Sign Up for Rain Gauge Alerts

The City of Flagstaff operates a network of radio-telemetered rain gauges that transmit rainfall and streamflow data in real time (as it occurs). They monitor and document rainfall and possible flooding events. You can directly receive rain gauge alerts. This free service is provided by City of Flagstaff and should not be confused with Coconino County's Emergency Alert System.



Rain gauge at Bow and Arrow Wash (Flagstaff airport).

Sign up for targeted alerts of potential flood risk in your neighborhood at:

[Flagstaff.az.gov/rainalerts](https://Flagstaff.az.gov/rainalerts)



Additional information about the gauge network can be found online at:

[Rain.flagstaffaz.gov/jefmap/](https://Rain.flagstaffaz.gov/jefmap/)

### A Checklist for Flood Preparedness

- ✓ Streets flood quickly! A car can float in as little as a foot of water. Do not attempt to cross flooded waters. Respect all traffic barricades.
- ✓ Know where your children are at times, and do not let them play near channels, creeks or streams when water is rising.
- ✓ If you live or own property in the Museum Flood area, be aware that your property will remain at high-risk for post-wildfire flooding for several years. Resources available here: [Coconino.az.gov/2133/Museum-Fire-Flood-Area](https://Coconino.az.gov/2133/Museum-Fire-Flood-Area)
- ✓ Make sure that the sandbags placed to protect your property do not negatively impact your neighbors. Find sandbag locations and more information here: [Coconino.az.gov/2134/Sandbag-Information](https://Coconino.az.gov/2134/Sandbag-Information)
- ✓ Be sure that surrounding drainages and channels are clear and free of debris. Fences and debris become barricades and can lead to flooding on adjacent properties. To report drainage and debris issues, call **(928) 213-2400**.
- ✓ Properly recycle used motor oil and never place it in the trash, on the ground or down storm drains.
- ✓ Contact your property insurance agent to see if a flood insurance policy would help you.
- ✓ Talk to the Stormwater Section **(928) 213-2472** about protecting your house or business from flood damage.
- ✓ Check / prepare plants and windows for rainfall and wind risks.
- ✓ Prepare an emergency kit in case of flooding or power outages.



### Emergency Contacts:

For street or right of way flooding concerns, please call Public Works **(928) 213-2100**.

If you are experiencing a flood emergency at home, call 9-1-1. If you have flooding concerns, or to report fallen tree, blockages and debris flowing down streets call **(928) 213-2400**.

Water Services after hours emergency line is **(928) 774-0262**.

### City Flood Mitigation Efforts:

The Stormwater Section maintains 122 miles of open channel for native ecosystems and flood control. The Section includes engineers, hydrologists, and planners that work with NAU, the Coconino County Flood Control District, other agencies, and non-profits on reducing local flooding issues.



July 2020 Museum Fire flows through the new Linda Vista Avenue culvert.

July 2020 channel improvements on Spruce Avenue Wash.



### We Need Your Help:

#### Easements on Private Land are Your Responsibility

An easement is the legal right for the City to use private land for public services. Water Services has easements on land throughout the city for the following purposes:

- Water and sewer pipes
- Water meters and manholes
- Drainages and channels

#### Keep Drainages and Channels Clear of Debris

Drainages and channels on privately owned property must stay clear and free of debris. Fences and debris become barricades and can lead to flooding on adjacent properties. You may be legally liable for damages.



Blocked Drainage



Blocked Channel